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the law was founded upon the common law of England; brevity in pages; and information for the notes.

It would seem that Professor Kales has done his work well, although the volume is open to criticism, chiefly in respect to size. The text, notes, and index cover 654 pages, not including cases on "Marriage and Divorce," which are to be given in a supplement. Greater brevity might have been secured by omitting some of the cases in the collection. Although the author has used a number of problem-raising cases, he has incorporated some which are important for the information they convey rather than for the problems they present. Such cases might well have been placed in the footnotes.

Again, even when the cases are important as problem-raising, it sometimes happens that several cases given under the same heading present the same problem with like answers, or that the problems raised vary but little, one from another. Some of these cases are not of enough importance to justify their retention in the text at the cost of increasing the size of the book; they, too, could have been placed in the notes.

The result of thus reducing the number of cases would have been to decrease the size of the book, without impairing its efficiency, and to encourage its use by those law schools which allow a limited time for the study of the subject of which it treats.

As it is, however, the work deserves commendation. Evidently, Professor Kales has given considerable study to the subject, and has exercised discretion in selecting his cases. Not only are most of them valuable for the purpose of training in case analysis, but, apparently, the whole field of jurisdiction has been searched, and drawn upon to furnish material for text and notes.

A feature of the book which makes it all the more valuable for classroom work lies in the notes. The author, wisely, has made no attempt to have these notes take the place of a digest of the topics discussed, but has endeavored to furnish a great deal of valuable information without using too much space.

The subject matter is arranged, in a way that is satisfactory, under numerous topical divisions and sub-headings. An excellent feature is the inclusion in the table of cases of those cited in the footnotes, although the value of the table is lessened considerably by the fact that the cases are indexed under the name of the plaintiff only.

In conclusion, it may be said that, while open to criticism, the book is well adapted for its purpose, and should prove of value not only in inculcating the principles of the subject of which it treats, but also in offering opportunities for analytical training in case law.

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CASES ON SURETYSHIP. By Crawford D. Hening, Professor of Law in the University of Pennsylvania. American Casebook Series. St. Paul: West Publishing Co. 1911. Pp. XVIII, 620.

This book is the most recent casebook on Suretyship. It has been issued in the American Casebook Series, which is being prepared under the general editorship of James Brown Scott. Thirteen books, comprising about one-half of the series, have been published or are in press and will soon be issued.
